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The Amendment filed on June 15, 2006 is non-compliant because it has failed to meet the requirement of 37 CFR 1.121. In order for the amendment document to be complaint, correction of the following item(s) is required. Only the corrected section of the non-compliant amendment document must be resubmitted (in its entirety), for example the entire "Amendments to the claims" section of applicant's amendment document must be resubmitted.

In the Amendment filed on June 15, 2006, claims 3-4 have the identifier of "cancelled", which is the proper procedure. Clarification is required as to whether applicant is intends to cancel the aforementioned claims. In addition, claims are listed as amended which should be "currently amended". It is suggested that claims with extensive amendments are cancelled and presented as new such as claim 5 for clarity. As the non-compliant amendment is a reply to a Non-Final Office Action and since the amendment appears to be a bona fide attempt to be a reply (37 CFR 1.135(c)), applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE MONTH from the mailing of this notice within which to re-submit the corrected section which complies with 37 CFR 1.121 in order to avoid abandonment. EXTENSIONS OF THIS TIME PERIOD ARE AVAILABLE UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a). Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Hope A. Robinson whose telephone number is 571-272-0957. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Kathleen Kerr, can be reached at (571) 272-0931. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent Application Information Retrieval (PAIR) system. Status information for published applications on access to the Private PAIR or Public PAIR. Status information for unpublished applications on access to the Private PAIR system, contact the Electronic Business Center (EBC) at 866-217-9197 (toll-free).

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